a flexible eartip for acoustic sealing with an ear canal of a user; and

a tube nipple providing an acoustic pathway through at least one wall of the housing and having a first end and a second end, the first end being located within the housing and being acoustically coupled to the output port of the receiver and the second end being located externally to the housing and being acoustically coupled to the flexible eartip, the tube nipple and housing being configured and arranged such that the angle between a longitudinal axis of the tube nipple and a vertical axis of the housing is obtuse, such that the housing hangs approximately vertically along the side of a user's head when worn.

8. (Twice amended) An insert earphone comprising:

a housing;

a receiver located in the housing and having an output port, the receiver for electrically coupling with an audio signal source;

a flexible eartip for acoustic sealing with an ear canal of a user, the flexible eartip having a foam eartip portion and a flexible tube portion; and

a rigid tube nipple providing an acoustic pathway through at least one wall of the housing and having a first end and a second end, the first end of the rigid tube nipple being located within the housing and being acoustically coupled to the output port of the receiver and the second end of the rigid tube nipple being located externally to the housing and being acoustically coupled to the flexible tube portion of the flexible eartip;

wherein the earphone providing a response that is approximately 0 dB relative to the TDH-39 standard at at least one of 6 and 8 khz.

10. (Amended) The insert earphone of claim 8 wherein the rigid tube nipple and the housing are configured and arranged such that the angle between a longitudinal axis of the rigid tube nipple and a vertical axis of the housing is obtuse, such that the housing hangs approximately vertically along the side of a user's head when worn.

16. (Amended) The insert earphone of claim 15 wherein the tube nipple and the housing are configured and arranged such that the angle between a longitudinal axis of the tube nipple and a vertical axis of the housing is obtuse, such that the housing hangs approximately vertically along the side of a user's head when worn.

Please add the following new claims:

22. (New) An insert earphone comprising:

a housing;

a receiver located in the housing and having an output port, the receiver for electrically coupling with an audio signal source;

a flexible eartip for acoustic sealing with an ear canal of a user, the flexible eartip having a foam eartip portion and a flexible tube portion;

a rigid tube nipple providing an acoustic pathway through at least one wall of the housing and having a first end and a second end, the first end of the rigid tube nipple being located within the housing and being acoustically coupled to the output port of the receiver and the second end of the rigid tube nipple being located externally to the housing and being